

ICANN Community Digest



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ICANN81

DEADLINE TOMORROW: ICANN Community Childcare Grants Program

The application for Community Childcare Grants Program is **Friday, 04 October 2024**.

[Read more.](#)

Register Now for ICANN81

ICANN81 will be held 09 - 14 November 2024 at the Istanbul Congress Center.

[Register and Read more](#)

ICANN Reviews team available for engagement during ICANN81

The ICANN Reviews Program encompasses the management of Specific Reviews and Organizational Reviews, including any resulting implementation work that relates to improving the reviews process.

The ICANN org Review Support and Accountability team is available to your group to engage on the status of several initiatives underway to improve ICANN Reviews, including:

- Launch of the Pilot Holistic Review
- Progress of the work led by the community to evolve Organizational Reviews into a Continuous Improvement Program
- Planning for the Fourth Accountability and Transparency Review

Schedule an engagement with us by contacting rsa-coordinators@icann.org.

[ICANN Accountability page](#) | [ICANN.org Reviews page](#)

Information Sharing

NEW: ICANN Publishes Addendums to the Registry Service Provider Handbook

The evaluation of RSPs is an important part of ICANN's mission to help ensure a stable, secure, and resilient Internet.

[Read more.](#)

NEW: ICANN Announces 2025 Nominating Committee Chair and Chair-Elect

ICANN Board has appointed Amir Qayyum to serve as the 2025 Nominating Committee (NomCom) Chair, and Thomas Barrett to serve as the 2025 NomCom Chair-Elect.

[Read more.](#)

NEW: ICANN and UNESCO Join Forces to Champion Universal Acceptance for UA Day 2025

The event is aimed at increasing awareness of UA and its benefits, with an emphasis on technical training to help organizations become UA-ready.

Interested parties may submit an event proposal by 11 October 2024.

[Read more.](#)

NEW: Approved Resolutions | Special Meeting of the ICANN Board | 26 September 2024

Please find the Approved Resolutions from the 26 September 2024 Special Meeting of the ICANN Board [here](#).

Next Round Champions Toolkit Available in the Six ICANN Languages

ICANN is working with the community to identify potential Applicant Support Program (ASP) applicants – especially in regions that are currently under-represented in ICANN. If you are interested in helping to raise awareness among your own contacts or communities, please use the materials in the [Next Round Champions Toolkit](#).

To stay up to date on the New gTLD Program: Next Round and ASP, join the mailing list: nextroundinfo@icann.org. ASP leads, targets, and ideas can be sent to engagement.newgTLDprogram@icann.org.

ICANNWiki Seeking Volunteers

ICANNWiki is seeking volunteers to assist with creating and editing articles and content for the site. Do you want to help? Getting started is as simple as [requesting an account](#). Then, make sure to read the short [content guide](#) to get a feel for what belongs in the wiki. Also, feel free to take a look at some [data source suggestions](#) on where to find reliable data. Happy editing!

Events

NEW: France IGF 2024

Date: Thursday 3 October 2024 (07:00 - 15:00 UTC)

[Read more.](#)

NEW: Local APIGA 2024 - Indonesia

Local APIGA aims to scale for a larger cohort of youth leaders at the local economy level.

Date: Monday 7 October 2024 (01:00 UTC) - Wednesday 9 October 2024 (09:00 UTC)

[Read more.](#)

NEW: 2024 Nigeria School of Internet Governance

The program helps interested students, academic as well as individuals working in the private sector as well as in government to get comprehensive and structured knowledge on Internet governance.

Date: Tuesday 8 October 2024 (08:50 - 09:35 UTC)

[Read more.](#)

NEW: WSIS+20 Event and the future of the Internet Governance Forum (IGF)

Hear from experts from the private sector, civil society, academia, and government on the latest developments at the United Nations from multiple perspectives as well as how you can stay engaged in these important processes.

Date: Tuesday 8 October 2024 (13:00 - 17:00 UTC)

[Read more.](#)

NEW: Encryption Day - Puerto Rico EDP University event

In collaboration with ISOC Chapter PR, EDP University will be celebrating "Encryption Day" and ICANN will talk about the Next Round program.

Date: Tuesday 8 October 2024 (15:00 - 16:45 UTC)

[Read more.](#)

CTU ICTWeek 2024

Date: Monday 30 September 2024 (13:00 UTC) - Saturday 5 October 2024 (13:00 UTC)

[Read more.](#)

CyberChess

The CyberChess conference is a cornerstone of cybersecurity events within the Baltic states.

Date: Tuesday 1 October 2024 (07:00 UTC) - Thursday 3 October 2024 (07:00 UTC)

[Read more.](#)

ICANN's Canada Week: Training, Tutorials, and Roundtable Discussions

ICANN is excited to announce its participation in a week of Internet-related activities in Ottawa and Toronto, Canada, from 18 to 25 October 2024.

[Read more.](#)

Webinars

Webinars Introduce ICANN's New gTLD Program: Next Round RSP Evaluation Program

The webinars will provide an overview of the requirements for evaluation, a description of the testing that will be conducted, and an explanation of the overall evaluation process.

Webinar 1: Tuesday, 1 October 2024 from 15:00–16:00 UTC | [Register](#)

Webinar 2: Wednesday, 2 October 2024 from 00:00–1:00 UTC | [Register](#)

[Read more.](#)

Webinar for Middle East GAC Members

This is a closed webinar for GAC members mainly from the Middle East to update them on some hot topics.

Date: Thursday 3 October 2024 (09:00 - 10:30 UTC)

[Read more.](#)

Action Items

DEADLINE EXTENDED: Participate in ICANN's Operational Design Phase Community Consultation Survey

Community input will help ICANN identify opportunities for continuous improvement regarding ODP objectives and related mechanisms in the policy lifecycle to fulfill the needs of the Board, community, and org.

Deadline: 11 October 2024

[Read more and access the survey here.](#)

NextGen@ICANN82 Applications

ICANN wants to hear from university students living and studying in the North America region who are interested in the future of the Internet and in participating in the ICANN82 Community Forum. ICANN82 is scheduled to be held in Seattle, Washington, from 8–13 March 2025.

Deadline: 11 October 2024

[Read more.](#)

NextGen@ICANN Mentor Program Nominations

The NextGen@ICANN Program seeks nominations to fill three (3) slots for the 2025 Mentor Program. These appointments will serve for the ICANN82-84 meetings. Nominations must be submitted no later than **Thursday, 31 October 2024**.

Interested community groups should select their respective volunteers and notify Fernanda Iunes at fernanda.iunes@icann.org.

NextGen@ICANN Program Selection Committee Nominations

NextGen@ICANN Program is seeking nominations to fill three (3) slots for selection committee members. Each SO/AC is asked to nominate candidates for these positions. Individual self-nominations will not be considered. Interested community groups should select their respective NextGen@ICANN Selection Committee volunteers by **Thursday, 31 October 2024**.

Interested community groups should select their respective volunteers and notify Fernanda Iunes at fernanda.iunes@icann.org. Each selection committee member will serve for a period of two (2) years beginning with ICANN82.

For program details please visit our [page](#).

Public Comment

[Second Proceeding for Proposed Language for Draft Sections of the Next Round Applicant Guidebook](#)

Open for Submissions: 10 September 2024

Closed for Submissions: 21 October 2024

[Additional Reference Label Generation Rules and Related Updates](#)

Open for Submissions: 12 September 2024

Closed for Submissions: 24 October 2024

[Proposed Renewal of the Registry Agreement for .COM](#)

Open for Submissions: 26 September 2024

Closed for Submissions: 05 November 2024

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